

**SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES OF THE COTTONWOOD
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
March 25, 2008**

Present:

Absent:

Doug Hulse, Chairperson
Jim Wixom, Vice-Chairperson
Bill Bowden
Jim Bostwick
Nathaniel Munn, Jr.
Carol Nielsen
Ann Shaw-Jenkins

Also Present:

Richard Faust, Director, Park and Recreation
Robin Babbitt, Parks and Recreation Administrative Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Hulse called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Cottonwood Council Chambers.

MINUTES – FEBRUARY 26, 2008 REGULAR MEETING

Commissioner Hulse asked for consideration of the minutes from the February 26, 2008 regular meeting. Commissioner Bowden motioned to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Shaw-Jenkins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

A. MONTHLY REPORT INFORMATION FOR FEBRUARY 2008

Mr. Faust asked if there were any questions on the monthly report for February identifying revenues, program participation figures and more. After hearing none he reviewed the new weight room purchases.

B. COTTONWOOD COMMUNITY RECREATION/AQUATICS CENTER – UPDATE

Mr. Faust updated the commission on the status of the community recreation center. Staff met with the Barker Rinker Seacat and Adolfsen and Peterson representatives to review the updated facility costs. He explained why these costs were higher than previously expected. The group discussed the issues affecting the increased costs and possible solutions for some of them.

NEW BUSINESS

A. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION – FIVE-YEAR PLANNING DOCUMENT UPDATE/DISCUSSION

Mr. Faust reviewed the proposed projects on the 2007 five-year plan. He asked the commissioners to review the plan and think about any changes that they would like to make to it to discuss at the next month's meeting. He then gave suggestions as to how to arrange the funding for the upcoming years to fit with the current economic situation.

B. MICKELSEN HALF MARATHON - INFORMATIONAL

Mr. Faust stated that a half-marathon is being organized in Brian Mickelsen's name. The proposed date is Saturday, November 8, 2008. Departmental staff will be assisting the group that is organizing this race.

C. CITY BUDGET PROCESS – ECONOMIC DOWNTURN

Mr. Faust reviewed the financial situations the city departments are currently facing. He explained that revenues are down, costs are up, and all departments have been asked to curb their spending.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Councilmember James Chapman introduced himself to the commissioners, thanked them for their efforts and asked a few questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Munn motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Bowden seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.